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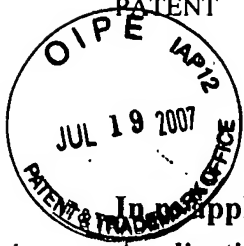
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Responsive to the Examiner's stated Reasons for Allowance, Applicants comment as follows.

Applicants agree that claims 1, 4-9, 16, 17, 22-26 and 37-42 are allowable over the cited art, taken either singly or in combination. Applicants respectfully disagree with assertions in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance that certain language recited in the claims is necessarily found in the cited art. For example, Applicants respectfully disagree that the cited art reads on the "shape graph" language recited in claim 12.

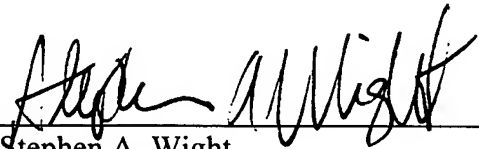
Additionally, Applicants respectfully note, however, that certain language cited in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance in some instances does not identically appear in the allowed claims. For example, the phrase "creating shape graph defined by parameter alias sets which are created and unified based on object-oriented program statements" does not identically appear in any allowed claim. To the extent the Statement of Reasons for Allowance uses language not identically appearing in the claims, Applicants note that the claims are not limited by such language, but rather the actual language of the claims speaks for itself.

Applicants also note that each of the allowed claims sets forth a separately patentable invention.

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